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SUBJECT: A ROTARY VARIABLE ORIFICE VALVE GJ-247J

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is a patent application including formal papers as follows:

Applicant: Christopher Patrick Lawson

Title: A ROTARY VARIABLE ORIFICE VALVE

No. Pages Specification: 10; Claims: 2; Abstract: 1; Drawings: 6; Declaration and Power of Attorney; and a Certified Copy of U.K. Patent Application No. 0221045.8 filed September 11, 2002.

Filing Fee Calculation

Basic Fee: \$ 375.00

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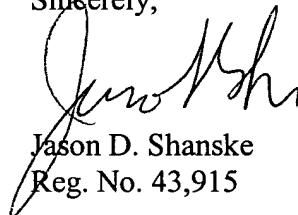
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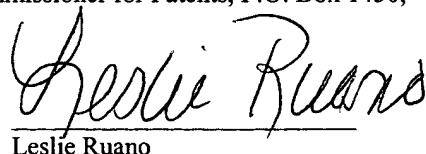


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